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- In October 1949 the Way Yue Company, Hong Kong, sold 1,750 tons of comper wire, which it obtained from British and Belgian firms, to North China. The firm was requested to supply 2,000 metric tons more of copper wire, but another Hong Kong trading company received the order by offering a lower price, and trans-shipped Jaconese copper wire.
- In November Way Yue sold 750 time of silicon steel and 300 tons of mig lead, from Broken Hill, Australia, to North China.
- Way Yue also sells brass and comper tubing, etc., and aluminum. It sells 3. Belgian big iron and Belgian since (from Company) to North China.
- Way Yue is willing to pay premium prices for phosphor bronze. It requested a quotation from a European firm for 500 tons of electrolytic copper**.
- Way Yue would like to sell petroleum to the North China government but American oil companies sell directly for lower prices. Most sales are made by Standard. Caltex and independent West Coast dealers, who manifest the cargo elsewhere, then deliver to North China.

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the arount of Sakhalin oil sent by the USSR to Tientsin is not sufficient for North China requirements.

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Polish zinc sheets, now available Comment. in Hong Kong in large quantities, are the cheapest on the market.

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Corrent. The current price, including war risk insurance and delivery to Tientsin, for electrolytic conner ingots, 99.9%, is US \$445 per metric ten.

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